

**BLAIR TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**Budget Workshop**  
**March 6, 2019**  
**APPROVED**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The Budget Workshop meeting of the Blair Township Board of Trustees was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on March 6, 2019 at the Township Hall, 2121 County Road 633, Grawn, MI, to prepare for the operations of the 2019-2020 fiscal year.

**ROLL CALL:** Members present: Zeits, Fitzpatrick, Fleis, Wolfgang, Campbell, Kucera and Blonshine. Also in attendance were Jessica Marsh and Bill VanVreede from Front Street Insurance, Emergency Services Director Eric Somsel and Captain Matt Tallman, president of Local #4355. There were no members of the public in attendance.

**Health Insurance:**

Jessica presented the board with renewal pricing for the Township's current medical, dental and vision insurance. The increase this year was very minimal, .92 percent for medical, no increase on dental and a 2% decrease on vision. Jessica also presented other options that would save the Township money, but the coverage would not be as good. Discussion was heard. Board members agreed that with that small of an increase, it would be wise to stay with our current plans. Captain Tallman stated that the union members would be agreeable.

**Meeting Schedule:**

The meeting schedule was reviewed and the board would like to start budget meetings the last week of February to avoid going in to April.

**Paid Holidays:**

In addition to the six (6) paid holidays listed in the Employee Handbook, a floating paid holiday, December 31, 2019, New Year's Eve Day, and Good Friday, April 10, 2020, were added.

**Schedule of Fees:**

Prices for copies of the Master Plan and the Parks and Rec Plan were revised/added. Permits for Sexually Oriented Businesses were increased.

**Wages:**

Wages for the Supervisor, Clerk, Deputy Clerk, Treasurer, Deputy Treasurer and Trustees were discussed.

The following budget centers were discussed:

Supervisor	Clerk
Treasurer	Cemeteries
Election Commission	Treasurer
Township Board	

**PUBLIC INPUT:** There was none.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Adjourned 12:05pm.

Lynette L. Wolfgang  
Township Clerk